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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims:

- 1. 83. (Canceled).
- 84. 87. (Canceled)
- 88. (Previously Presented) A system comprising:

an employee database having information about qualifications of a plurality of employees, qualifications of a plurality of temporary employees, and associations with web pages, wherein a web page is associated with each of the temporary employees, each web page being made available to client computers via web browser programs;

a position database having information about a plurality of positions and qualifications for positions; and

a server configured for:

updating the information about open positions in response to a preference message requesting that a specific open position be offered to at least one preferred temporary employee,

notifying each preferred temporary employee who meets the qualifications of the specific open position; and

posting information about the specific open position to the web pages associated with each preferred temporary employee and the specific open position being specially marked.

- 89. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 88 wherein each web page associated with a temporary employee lists each open position that the temporary employee is able to accept.
- 90. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 88 wherein each web page associated with a temporary employee lists only the open positions that the temporary employee is qualified to fill.

- 91. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 88 wherein each web page associated with a temporary employee lists only the open positions that the temporary employee is qualified to fill and that pass through a filter that filters out open positions for which the absent employee has rejected the temporary employee has been rejected.
- 92. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 88 wherein the temporary employee is a substitute teacher.
 - 93. 96. (Canceled)
 - 97. (Previously Presented) A method comprising:

providing an employee database having information about qualifications of a plurality of employees and a plurality of temporary employees;

providing a position database having information about a plurality of positions and qualifications for positions;

updating information about open positions in response to receiving a preference message requesting that a specific open position be offered to at least one preferred temporary employee;

notifying each preferred temporary employee who meets the qualifications of the specific open position; and

posting information about the specific open position to at least one web page accessible by each preferred temporary employee with the specific open position being specially marked.

- 98. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 97 further comprising listing on the web page each open position that the preferred temporary employee is able to accept.
- 99. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 97 further comprising listing on the web page associated with a temporary employee only the open positions that the temporary employee is qualified to fill.

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- 100. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 97 further comprising listing on the web page associated with a temporary employee only the open positions that the temporary employee is qualified to fill and for which the temporary employee associated with the web page that passes through a filter that rejects filters out open positions for which the temporary employees has been rejected by the absent employee.
- 101. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 97 further comprising allowing access to the webpage associated with a temporary employee in response to receiving at least one pass code and verifying the received at least one pass code.
- 102. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 97 wherein the temporary employee is a substitute teacher.